

Vacancy Announcement

ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: 14/01

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OPEN TO: All Interested U.S. Citizens

POSITION: DCM Secretary
Foreign Service National Pay Scale: FSN-8
Foreign Service Pay Scale: FP-6

OPENING DATE: January 17, 2014

CLOSING DATE: Until Filled

WORK HOURS: Full-time; 40 hours/week

SALARY: Not-Ordinarily Resident (NOR):
Position Grade: FP-06

Ordinarily Resident (OR):
Position Grade: FSN-8

ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT (OR) APPLICANTS (*See Appendix A*) MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The United States Embassy in Georgetown is seeking an individual for employment in country for the position of DCM Secretary in the Executive Office.

Applicants are restricted to U.S. Citizens only.

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION:

The incumbent manages the office of the Deputy Chief of Mission (DCM), serving as the DCM's principal assistant, providing administrative and clerical support. In the absence of the Ambassador's Office Management Specialist (OMS), the DCM's Secretary acts as back-up and assumes all duties assigned of the OMS.

A copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities is available in the Human Resources Office, telephone 225-4900, extension 4249.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:

All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.

1. A two year College Degree is required, and two years office management experience or experience demonstrating ability to perform functions of an Administrative Assistant.

Or

A High School Diploma and five years office management experience or other experience demonstrating ability to perform functions of an Administrative Assistant.

2. Level IV Fluent English, in reading/writing/speaking, is required. **(A test will be administered to assess English Skills)**

3. Must be able to write logically and clearly, developing and expressing ideas effectively, while following the general rules of standard written English and must be able to proofread documents written by others. **(A test will be administered to assess Writing skills)**

4. Knowledge of the general principles of filing, general office procedures and computer-based data management is required.

5. Must have knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Access, Power Point) to organize and present information, and Internet Explorer.

6. Must be able to mix easily with people both within and outside social or cultural groups. Must be able to work well with colleagues, and must be able to exercise tact and good judgment in dealing with senior government officials as well as the general public.

SELECTION PROCESS:

When fully qualified, US Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and US Veterans are given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate specifically address the required qualifications above in the application.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.

2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.

3. Current Ordinarily Resident employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.

4. Currently employed US Citizen EFMs who hold a Family Member Appointment (FMA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.

5. Currently employed NORs hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.

6. The successful candidate must be able to obtain and hold a Top Secret security clearance.

TO APPLY:

Interested applicants for this position must submit the following or the application will not be considered:

1. Universal Application for Employment (UAE) as a Locally Employed Staff or Family Member (DS-174) [DS174 UAE](#); or You may request the form via e-mail at HROGeorgetownH@state.gov or you may obtain it directly from the Human Resources office or from the Embassy's VIP guard booth on Duke Street; or
2. A current resume or curriculum vitae that provides the same information found on the DS-174 (see Appendix B); or
3. A combination of both; i.e. Sections 1 -24 of the DS-174 along with a listing of the applicant's work experience attached as a separate sheet; **plus**
4. Candidates who claim US Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application. Candidates who claim conditional U.S. Veterans preference must submit documentation confirming eligibility for a conditional preference in hiring with their application.
5. Any other documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards, copies of degrees earned) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed above.

SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO:

Human Resources Office
(DCM Secretary)
American Embassy
Georgetown

POINT OF CONTACT:

Human Resources Office
Telephone: (592) 225-4900
FAX: (592) 225-8497

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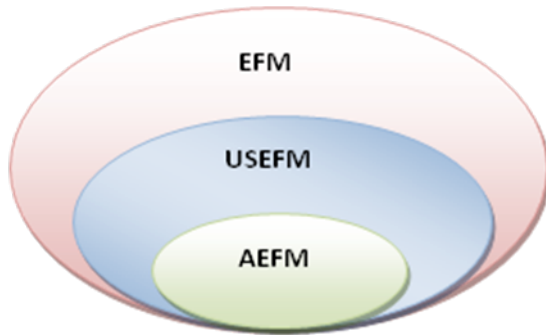
The US Mission in Guyana provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.

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Appendix A DEFINITIONS



This diagram demonstrates how an Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM) is also a U.S.-citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM) as well as an Eligible Family Member (EFM).

1. **Eligible Family Member (EFM):** An individual related to a U.S. Government (USG) employee in one of the following ways:

- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610);
- Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchildren and adopted children and those under legal guardianship of the employee or the spouse when such children are expected to be under such legal guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian;
- Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support;
- Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.

2. **U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM):** For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen; and,
- EFM (see above) at least 18 years old; and,
- Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG agency that is under Chief of Mission (COM) authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:

1. Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.

3. **Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM):** EFM (see above) eligible for a Family Member Appointment for purposes of Mission employment:

- Is a U.S. citizen; and
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610) or a child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
- Is listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126, Foreign Service Residence and Dependency Report, of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), and who is under COM authority; and
- Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, office of the American Institute in Taiwan.
- Does not receive a Foreign Service or Civil Service annuity

4. **Member of Household (MOH):** An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:

- Not an EFM; and,
- Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
- Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

An MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. An MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

5. **Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR)** – An individual who:

- Is not a citizen of the host country; and,
- Does not ordinarily reside (*OR*, see below) in the host country; and,
- Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
- Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).

6. **Ordinarily Resident (OR)** – A Foreign National or U.S. citizen who:

- Is locally resident; and,
- Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
- Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the LCP.

Appendix B

If an applicant is submitting a resume or curriculum vitae, s/he must provide the following information equal to what is found on the UAE.

Failure to do so will result in an incomplete application.

- A. Position Title
- B. Position Grade
- C. Vacancy Announcement Number (if known)
- D. Dates Available for Work
- E. First, Middle, & Last Names as well as any other names used
- F. Current Address, Day, Evening, and Cell phone numbers
- G. U.S. Citizenship Status (*Yes or No*) & status of permanent U.S. Resident (Yes or No; if yes, provide number)
- H. U.S. Social Security Number and/or Identification Number
- I. Eligibility to work in the country (*Yes or No*)
- J. Special Accommodations the Mission needs to provide (*Yes or No; if yes, provide explanation*)
- K. If applying for position that includes driving a U.S. Government vehicle, Driver's License Class / Type
- L. Days available to work
- M. List any relatives or members of your household that work for the U.S. Government (include their Name, Relationship, & Agency, Position, Location)
- N. U.S. Eligible Family Member and Veterans Hiring Preference
- O. Education
- P. License, Skills, Training, Membership, & Recognition
- Q. Language Skills
- R. Work Experience
- S. References